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Political determinants of the energy transformation in Poland in years 2004-2020

After the Second World War, the Polish energy sector began a long way of modernisation; from reconstruction, through electrification and liberalisation of the energy market, to the necessity of meeting the challenge of the European climate and energy policy as well as fulfilling its objectives. Successive governments made a number of decisions in the field of energy policy; however, it was not possible to develop a coherent energy regime. Therefore, it is crucial to look for an answer to the question of why this happened. The aim of the project is to deepen the existing knowledge about the process of Poland's energy transformation in years 2004-2020. Such would entail in particular the identification of factors influencing the initiation and course of the energy transformation process, an in-depth analysis of endogenous and exogenous factors, examining the role of institutions that structure legislative processes, regulations, and political instruments, patterns of interaction between the government and stakeholders, policy concepts, programs and sector strategies. The results of the conducted research will constitute an important voice in the academic discourse on the political determinants of the energy transformation in 2004-2020.